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AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. OFFERED AT THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS OF 1902, TO BE ACTED UPON AT THE CONTINENTAL CONGRESS OF 1903.

Amendment to the Constitution.

Amend by eliminating the words "and judicial" from Section I, Article 5 of the Constitution; change the numbers of Articles VII, VIII, and IX to VIII, IX and X, respectively, and add a new Article, known as Article VII, which is as follows;

ARTICLE VIII.

Judicial Board.

SECTION 1. The Judicial power of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution shall be, and hereby is, vested in a Judicial Board of seven members, consisting of a Presiding Justice and six Associate Justices. The President-General shall nominate, and, by and with the consent of the Continental Congress, shall appoint the members of such Board.

SECTION 2. For the first Judicial Board, the Presiding Justice and two Associate Justices shall be appointed for a term of six years; two Associate Justices for a term of four years; and two Associate Justices for a term of two years; and thereafter such appointments shall be for a term

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of six years, and those appointed shall hold their offices for the term appointed, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 3. Only members who are or have been delegates to the Continental Congress shall be eligible to such appointment, and no one shall be appointed more than twice as a member of such Board.

SECTION 4. Should a vacancy occur in the membership of such Board, the President-General shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term made vacant, subject to the consent of the sitting or succeeding Congress, and such member shall perform the duties of such office until the Congress acts upon such appointment.

SECTION 5. The judicial power shall extend to all contests of elections and to all impeachments of officers of the National Society, or of subordinate Chapters ; to all questions as to the legal organization of Chapters ; to all questions as to the constitutionality of by-laws adopted by the National Society or by a subordinate Chapter ; and to all other questions wherein a judicial finding is requested by either the National Society, the Board of Management, or a subordinate Chapter. In all cases the decision of the Judicial Board shall be final, and any Chapter failing to promptly enforce the mandate thereof shall suffer forfeiture of its Charter ; any member disobeying the same shall be expelled.

SECTION 6. The Judicial Board shall adopt its own seal, make its own rules and regulations for the submission and disposition of questions brought before it, and prescribe the method of preserving its records and promulgating its decisions. It shall have the power to appoint a Clerk

and other necessary officers and fix their terms of office, duties and salaries, which, as well as the expense of all records of and publications by such Board, shall be paid by the National Society. It shall meet at least once a year in the City of Washington for the hearing and disposition of questions brought before it, but shall be held to be in continuous session for the hearing thereof, and may render such decisions in the interim as the entire Board shall concur in.

SECTION 7. No member of such Board, during the term for which appointed, shall be eligible to any office in the National Society or in any subordinate Chapter.

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ARTICLE XIII.

Amend by adding after the words " spinning wheel and distaff " the following clause.

It will then read :

" The insignia of the Society shall consist of a badge in the form of a spinning wheel and distaff, it shall be worn suspended by a silk ribbon, on all occasions when the members assemble officially, for any stated purpose or celebration ; and may be worn on any occasion of ceremony."

" It shall be carried only on the left breast, except by members who are or have been National Officers, who may wear it suspended from the ribbon around the neck."

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NOTICE.

Copies of these amendments were not given to the Recording Secretary-General at the Eleventh Continental Congress but, instead, found their way to the Congressional Stenographer and were included with the proceedings for the day. The mistake was not discovered until after the other amendments had been printed and issued. Therefore, as the makers of the amendments and the Recording Secretary are not responsible for the mistake, these amendments are now issued.

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